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#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)
Emmanuel Conseiller et al.	) Group Art Unit: To Be Assigned
Application Number: To Be Assigned	Examiner: To Be Assigned
Filed: April 11, 2001	)
For: POLYPEPTIDES CAPABLE OF INT OF THE p53 PROTEIN	ERACTING WITH ONCOGENIC MUTANTS

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend this application.

#### IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, before line 1, INSERT the following paragraph:

--This application claims priority to international PCT application PCT/FR99/02465, filed October 12, 1999, and priority to prior U.S. provisional application 60/132,331, filed May 3, 1999, and priority to French application FR 98/12754 filed October 12, 1998, each of which are specifically incorporated herein by reference to the full extent allowed. --

### IN THE CLAIMS:

Please CANCEL claims 1-30 and INSERT new claims 31-97, as follows.

--31. A polypeptide capable of interacting specifically with oncogenic forms of p53, and capable of stimulating cell growth, and capable of blocking the antiproliferative effects of the wild-type form of p53.

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